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HOWE DISCUSSES I.W.A. AGREEMENT — MINISTER HOPEFUL

Nothing Has Happened to
Point to Break, but
Bargaining Hard

CATTLE MARKETINGS

Heavy Selling Finished Cattle
Might Bring Shortage
Before March 1st

By M. McDUGALL, Press Gallery,
Leader Correspondent

OTTAWA, Feb. 18th. — These have been days when matters affecting the farmers have been very much to the fore in parliamentary discussions. This is not strange, even though farming operations are in their lax season, as they refer largely to trade, and the general welfare of the farming population.

Howe on I.W.A. Meetings

The meetings on the renewal of the International Wheat Agreement have been in private, and nothing but rumors come from them. On his return from the Latin American trade trip, the Minister of Trade and Commerce, Rt. Hon. C. D. Howe, was questioned on how these talks at Washington were progressing. Mr. Howe answered that he knew nothing that had happened to point to a break down in the negotiations (as some rumors had suggested). Bargaining is going on day by day, "and I am most hopeful, and I think most of those present at the conference are hopeful that an agreement can be reached," he said.

There is no question of course that a contract for the sale of a fixed quantity within a definite range of prices would be of great value to exporters and importers; but it also is perfectly natural that the representatives of the different countries will make every effort to make the best bargain they can for their producing farmers in exporting lands and for their consuming population in importing countries.

Beet Sugar Interests

Beet sugar interests were also the subject of a report by Mr. Howe. He said the subject of importations of refined sugar into Canada from Cuba was discussed at Havana. He received the assurance of the refineries that, assuming that remedial action would be taken in relation to buying practices which have discriminated against Cuban exporters, no refined sugar would be exported from Cuba into the three Prairie Provinces and into Western Ontario. This understanding should prove to the satisfaction and benefit of sugar beet producers in Canada.

"More Orderly Pattern"

The Western Stock Growers' meeting recently in Calgary have heard the appeal of Rt. Hon. James G. Gardiner, Minister of Agriculture for a more "orderly pattern" of marketing

Dairy Farmers of Canada Elect Executive for 1953



The Dairy Farmers of Canada at their recent Annual Meeting in Vancouver elected a representative body of their members from across Canada to their Executive Committee for the coming year. In the picture, left to right: R. F. Lick, Toronto, Secretary-Manager Ontario Whole Milk Producers League; Erle Kitchen, Toronto, Secretary-Manager Dairy Farmers of Canada; A. H. Mercer, Vancouver, General Manager Fraser Valley Milk Producers Association; Chas. Milton, Toronto, Secretary-

Manager Ontario Concentrated Milk Producers Association; Gordon Loveridge, Grenfell, Sask., 1st Vice-President Dairy Farmers of Canada; Gilbert MacMillan, Huntingdon, Que., President Dairy Farmers of Canada; Fred J. Goodman, Winnipeg, 2nd Vice-President Dairy Farmers of Canada; W. O. Coon, Elgin, Ont., Chairman Ontario Cheese Producers Marketing Board; Dr. Henri Bois, Montreal, President and General Manager Co-operative Federee de Quebec.

TIE-UP IS THREAT TO FARM ECONOMY

What the situation may be when this issue reaches our readers cannot be predicted, but as we go to press the embargo on grain shipments to Vancouver and New Westminster owing to the strike of grain handlers continues, and according to the transport controller's Western representative, exports can soon be cut by 12 million bushels per month. The blow to the grain economy may prove serious for the time being though Trade Minister Howe stated Tuesday that no heavy loss is expected because ships can be directed to take grain traffic elsewhere.

of finished cattle. He referred to a similar appeal made by the U.S. Secretary of Agriculture, Ezra T. Benson.

Just as in the U.S., employment in Canada is good and incomes are high, and this offers stability to cattle prices. Mr. Gardiner said he wanted to see an orderly marketing pattern, with a normal stock position being maintained, and shortages later in the season avoided. The U.S. Minister's appeal was answered, marketing declined and prices have shown some firmness.

There have been heavy cattle marketings in Canada. In the last week, 21,600 cattle were placed on the eleven markets, quite an appreciable increase on the figures for the same week last year. Steer prices declined, but rose under government buying, bringing prices to support level.

What producers have apparently been trying to do is to get finished cattle off their hands before the borders are opened on March 1st; but it is suggested that with heavy selling of finished cattle, if this continues, producers may find themselves short of supply. Just now Canadian steers are not on an export basis to the United States, but from the long

Conditions on Which Butter Released Are Stated by Minister

By M. McDUGALL
Leader Correspondent

OTTAWA, Ont. — Speaking in the House of Commons, Minister of Agriculture J. G. Gardiner has disclosed that the Government of Canada still owns 29 million pounds of butter, which is considered sufficient to meet all needs until new production is available. This butter, the Minister indicated, will be sold at the basic price of 62 cents per pound for solids in Ontario and Quebec, with equivalent prices elsewhere.

The only conditions are that the buyer shall make immediate delivery to retailers and that the markup shall be reasonable.

Mr. Gardiner stated that it is expected that there will be full co-operation from the trade and that fair prices will prevail. He added that the point of low production has been passed, and that fresh supplies will soon begin to increase from week to week.

range view with firming prices at Chicago, Canadian producers may be at a disadvantage if they have little or nothing to sell.

South Saskatchewan River Dam

The question of building the dam on the South Saskatchewan River near Outlook in Saskatchewan, with the discussions on it, has been so fully covered in the dailies that it would be of little value to attempt to cover it here. It has not yet been discussed in the Cabinet, Mr. Gardiner has explained.

The report of the Royal Commission which investigated the whole matter, as is well known, in balance found the arguments against the advisability of carrying out the project pretty heavy. In the face of this ad-

Food and Blankets Are Sent to Flood Areas From CARE Stockpiles

CARE, 168 Laurier Ave. East, Ottawa, reports that 200 food and blanket CARE packages were distributed in flood disaster areas in England, and a similar quantity in the Netherlands, from limited emergency stockpiles. If necessary, states Neil MacNeil, Canadian Director, CARE will move parcels from stockpiles in other parts of Europe to accommodate donors who wish to help friends or unknown victims of the floods.

verse report on the economic feasibility of the scheme, Prime Minister St. Laurent stated that without further information he could not recommend the project to his colleagues.

What the future has in store with this project remains still to be seen.

Endorses Appeal

OTTAWA, Feb. 18th—Confidence that Canadian farmers will respond liberally in the campaign for assistance of the victims of the recent disastrous floods in Britain and Holland was expressed by Dr. H. H. Hannam, President of the Canadian Federation of Agriculture in a statement here. Most of the sufferers, Dr. Hannam pointed out, are themselves rural people, and he suggested that steps might be taken in every rural community in Canada to aid the sufferers.



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Monetary Gain Small Part of Benefits

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Dear Members:

YOU have already read with interest very full accounts of the Annual Meeting of the Dairy Farmers of Canada in Vancouver, and of the Annual Meeting of the Canadian Federation of Agriculture in Victoria. These meetings were of great importance to all our farm people, and, in the last issue of our paper, it was stated that I would deal with them further in this one, and present the Policy Statement of the Dairy Farmers organization for 1953. This will be found on another page.

Others Have Problems

Our visit to our sister Province of British Columbia was an interesting one in many ways, and I should like to pass on to you all a few of my impressions, and information about the problems of some of those who make their living from the land there.

We have our own problems; but we do not always know all

we might about those of our friends in the Coast Province. This was impressed on my mind when, as we headed West, we reached the Kelowna area, and drove out to the Andrew Richie fruit farm. Mr. Richie, by the way, asked us to remember him to his Alberta customers for Blue Fox apples.

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the benefits which being a member of a producer co-operative brings to you.

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Another Benefit of Membership

One thing more, this informative paper, **The Western Farm Leader**, goes to each of our members, who are kept informed through its pages of the activities of the Dairy Pool.

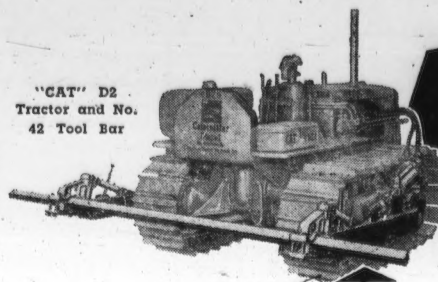
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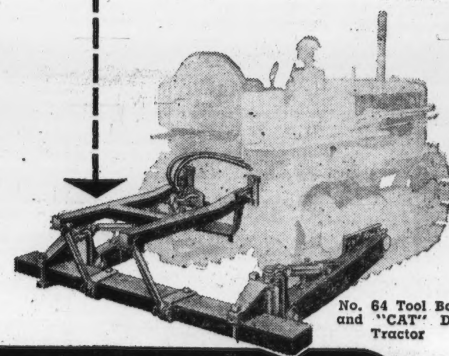
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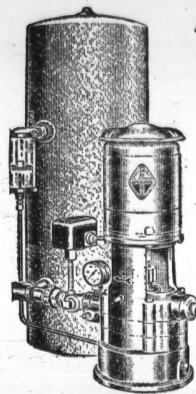
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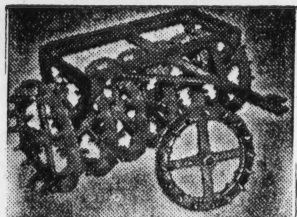
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APPRECIATION OF CBC SERVICES

Giving expression to the policies formulated by the farm people in their conventions across Canada, the Canadian Federation of Agriculture has consistently maintained that control of broadcasting in Canada should remain vested in the public authority created by Parliament — the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation. The Federation has opposed every effort to curtail the powers of the Corporation.

These powers were originally conferred upon the Corporation with the consent of every political party. It was in fact a Conservative Prime Minister, the late R. B. (afterwards Lord) Bennett, who delivered the most stirring defence of the principle of public ownership in this field, insisting that while private broadcasting might complement the services given by the public authority, the public system must be dominant.

Recently the Massey Royal Commission, after many months of investigation, pronounced this policy sound.

Thus the farmers' own national organization — which itself had submitted evidence — was vindicated by the findings of the Commission.

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In its recent Annual Meeting in Victoria, the Federation showed its appreciation of the services which the Corporation provides for the specific benefit of Canada's primary farm industry, as well as of its many other services.

A resolution adopted by the delegates sets forth that the Corporation "has provided programs of music, drama, news, discussions, talks, school programs, etc., designed to widen the interests of Canadians on Canadian subjects and problems."

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In the particular field of Agriculture, declared the delegates, the Corporation, "with Regional Farm Broadcasts, the National Farm Radio Forums, market reports, weather forecasts, etc., has shown it has some regard for the welfare of the Canadian farmer." They recorded their appreciation of the agricultural programs, and endorsed at the same time "its policy of providing intelligent general programs."

The delegates also urged that "the same policy be followed in the development of TV in Canada as is followed by the C.B.C. in Radio"; and, finally, they asked that "greater efforts be made by the C.B.C. to provide radio service for areas not now served."

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UNITED NATIONS RECEIVES THANKS

In an article by Mrs. Gunn which appeared in this paper some months ago, the decision of the United Nations to study the set-up of the National Farm Radio Forum, with a view to the provision of similar services to farm communities in other countries, was announced.

Last month in Victoria, the C.F.A. showed, by resolution, its appreciation of the action taken by the UN. The delegates showed their lively interest in what had been done, and added, "We look forward to their (the UN's) report in the near future."

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"WITH THEM INSTEAD OF FOR THEM"

There are signs of concern in some quarters in the United States because the governments and peoples of Britain and France and other countries have failed to respond to American initiatives in foreign policy, when the policy is "laid on the line" without prior consultation.

In a recent issue of the New York Nation, Stringfellow Barr, author of "Citizens of the World" — an American whose voice was heard some weeks ago in a discussion of international affairs over the C.B.C. Trans-

THE BASIC FREEDOM

Freedom from want! Here surely lies the seed
From which the other freedoms must be grown.
To minds subjected to the body's need
The joys of freedom must remain unknown.
Where misery haunts bitter days and nights,
And hope has never dared to raise its head,
It mocks the simple creed of human rights
That helpless children cry in vain for bread.

The fire and flame of war will not compel
Goodwill, nor bonds of brotherhood inspire,
But from far lands where hunger's cohorts dwell
The voice of inarticulate desire
Is rising now, and will not be denied —
If want remains then freedom will have died.

ISA GRINDLAY JACKSON

Canada network — asks some pertinent questions.

"Perhaps our foreign policy is not successful," writes Mr. Barr, "because it does not appeal to foreigners — a very grave criticism of any foreign policy. Maybe, to get one that did we should have to make it WITH them instead of FOR them. Maybe 'leadership' involves, not 'laying it on the line', or getting tough, or threatening to cut off people's allowances, but listening — listening to the people one proposes to lead. But if we started listening, it is already certain that we should hear: 'Let's get together and jointly attack our common problem, the problem of a sick world economy!'"

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SHORING UP FALLING FARM INCOME

(Ottawa Citizen)

A dispatch from Washington reports that during the past year prices of American farm products have dropped 11 per cent, and that price support policies which in recent years have been largely dormant have once again become operative. It is noted that the important thing about any price movement is its relation to the prices of other items, and in this case the cost of goods and services which the American farmer buys has dropped only 2 per cent during the year.

While comparable figures for Canada are not yet available, some tentative conclusions are possible. During the first nine months of 1952, gross farm income from all products apart from grain declined by 11 per cent from the same period of 1951, while farm costs were up by nearly 5 per cent. If grain were included, the total drop in income would be relatively small, but this would give a misleading picture — because of an extraordinary harvesting situation, Western grain farmers in effect reaped two crops in 1952 instead of one.

On the other hand, income from the sale of livestock and poultry, and also eggs, was down 24 per cent. These products showed by far the greatest loss. Returns from fruits were about unchanged, while those from vegetables, potatoes, dairy products and tobacco actually showed a gain.

Balancing costs against gross income, a net decline of about 15 per cent in farm income for all products except grain is indicated. Higher costs of farming operations during the first three quarters of 1952, when the general cost of living index was easing downward, may be accounted for largely by increased taxes and a bigger wage bill.

Thus the average Canadian farmer appears to have lost some ground during the past year, especially in relation to many other groups in the population (the composite index of industrial wages for the same nine-month period was up by about 10 per cent).

In the circumstances, federal government price support measures appear fully justified. Without them, the position of livestock producers in particular would have been still less favorable. These support programs at the present time apply to cattle, hogs, eggs and butter. They have not been on such a scale as to satisfy all sections of organized agriculture, but by the same token they have tended to discourage inefficient production.

Considering the net income position of most farmers outside the Western grain growing industry, few Canadians would contend that the amount of assistance granted has been too generous.

Would Place Control of Water Resources Under "Agriculture"

Where Soil Affected, Agricultural Departments Believed Best Authority

PLACING "under the Canadian Department of Agriculture, in co-operation with the Provincial Departments of Agriculture", of control of all water resources developments which may have any important effect on soils or soil conservation is called for in a resolution adopted by the Annual Meeting of the Canadian Federation of Agriculture at its recent sessions in Victoria, B.C.

A resolution along these lines had been adopted by the A.F.A. to whom it had been passed on after adoption by the F.U.A. Convention.

Vital Concern to Agriculture

It is pointed out that the water resources of Canada are of vital concern to agriculture; and further, that the Ottawa Government has indicated that it will consider legislation to enable it to contribute to water conservation programs undertaken by Provinces. The delegates demonstrated by their action that they would prefer to have supervision under the Departments of Agriculture rather than under the Department of Resources and Development.

"Water and soil conservation programs," it was stated, "are inseparable in any agricultural area."

Tax Removal from Irrigation Items

Delegates also agreed in open session that the Dominion Government should be petitioned to remove the 10 per cent sales tax on all materials purchased by irrigation projects for use in supplying water to farmers for the production of crops. It was pointed out that materials purchased by irrigation projects are used for the installation of works to deliver water for the farmers concerned.

The delegates reiterated a request made in the Federation's presentation to the Minister of Finance last March, for tariff amendments respecting agricultural apparatus. The Government of Canada has seen fit so far only "to implement these recommendations in part, omitting the more important reforms requested," it was indicated.

Carrying out of the St. Lawrence Seaway project "forthwith" was called for, in order that "it shall be in operation at the earliest possible time." The Government of Canada was commended "for their expressed determination to construct the seaway."

It was decided to urge upon all parties concerned the advisability of reinstating a reduced freight rate on Registered and Certified Seed.

Favor Continued Freight Assistance

The delegates resolved that the C.F.A. petition the Federal Government again, calling for continuance of the feed freight assistance policy on a permanent basis. This policy, it was stated, "directly assists the producers of poultry, pork and dairy products in both Eastern Canada and British Columbia, as well as benefitting the grain producers in assisting to provide a market for prairie grown grains and mill feeds." Without this freight assistance, which has been renewed from year to year, the resolution adds, "producers of poultry, pork and dairy products could not have operated profitably with the high cost

Urged Policies Which Will Enable Britain and Other Overseas Countries to Sell to Canada More of Their Manufactured Products

Adoption by the Canadian Government of "trade and tariff policies which will enable Britain and other overseas countries to sell in Canada greater quantities of manufactured goods, as a means of increasing their imports of farm products from Canada", was strongly urged by the Canadian Federation of Agriculture in open sessions in Victoria, B.C.

The Federal Government was also requested to undertake "searching studies of all possible methods of creating additional dollar credits for the sterling area", and to provide that "surplus farm products enjoy a high priority in any trade or dollar exchange agreements made with overseas countries."

The Federation resolution on this subject stressed the fact that "the loss of or serious reduction of the British and other overseas markets for surplus products is impairing the economy of a large section of the population engaged directly and indirectly in the production of these products." It was pointed out that "this shortage is primarily the result of a shortage of dollar exchange arising from an improper balance in international trade."

of feed in relation to the price received for their produce."

Carrying Grade Through to Consumer

The Meeting restated the support of the Federation "of sale of farm products by grade," and asked that "insofar as is practicable, all products sold by producers on grade be so identified that the grade may be carried through to the consumer." The Federal Department of Agriculture was asked to "intensify its efforts toward educating consumers to be grade conscious." There are still, it was indicated, some products purchased on grade, on which the grade does not carry through to the consumer."

Fresh Vegetable Imports

The delegates requested the Federal Government to negotiate "a revision of fresh vegetable import regulations that will establish a proper balance" in prices in Canada. "Uncontrolled imports" it was stated, act as a force to keep up prices on the United States domestic market, and at the same time to depress prices on the Canadian market and

to squeeze Canadian-grown vegetables out of their domestic market, with no compensating export market."

Imports of fresh vegetables into Canada, it was shown (almost entirely from the United States) amounted in the first nine months of 1952 to \$32,499,399, compared with exports of \$3,925,478. These imports were \$7-, 549,129 greater than in the corresponding nine months of 1951.

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Purpose of Education

"The purpose of education is to teach people to think in order that they may have informed views on many things, including national policy... The concept of education as an instrument of national policy was the dusty contribution of Mussolini and Hitler to the destruction of freedom in Europe." — Edward R. Murrow, noted CBS commentator.

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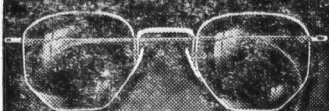
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CENTRAL ALBERTA DAIRY POOL SECTION

Policy Statement for 1953 Dairy Farmers of Canada

OILS OTHER THAN BUTTERFAT:

WITH a sense of urgency, Dairy Farmers of Canada directs the attention of member dairy groups and the Canadian population to critical factors presently threatening the dairy industry.

Most Serious Threat

It is the belief of this organization, representing 455,000 dairy farmers, that the most serious threat of the moment to our industry is the possibility of displacement of butterfat with oils.

If such a condition is allowed to exist, the possibilities for fraud on the consuming public will be tremendous. Still worse, the effect on the Canadian dairy farmer will be such that many producers will be forced

out of operation, reducing over-all production and ultimately increasing prices to the consumer.

Support Stand of Other Provinces

We support the stand taken by those Provinces that already have prohibitions on oils replacing butterfat. Dairy Farmers of Canada urge in the strongest possible terms that legislation in each Province be passed immediately prohibiting the manufacture or sale of products made with oils other than butterfat in imitation of, or as a substitute for, dairy foods. Further, Dairy Farmers of Canada pledges its unanimous support to its member organizations in their effort to promote suitable legislation protecting the integrity of dairy foods.

COMMODITY POLICY:

Fluid Milk: In view of all time high dairy farm costs, the fluid milk section of Dairy Farmers of Canada, as a national organization, is opposed to any reduction in the price of milk at the present time.

Butter: 1. With costs of producing cream increasing, we request that a floor price for butter be established for a two-year period at a price of 63 cents a pound.

2. We approve the principle of establishing a standard color for butter and believe that a close study should be made as to the practicability of putting it into operation.

Commodity, General — Packaging: Dairy Farmers of Canada endorses and supports the operating end of the dairy industry in its attempt to secure such changes in sizes and types of packages as will allow for decreased costs in the handling of butter in bulk. Further study should be given immediately to the improvement of dairy packages used at retail level.

GENERAL POLICY:

1. Dairy Farmers of Canada wish to compliment the Government of Canada for progressive work done in seeking and finding markets abroad for Canadian dairy products. Exports to various South American states and to other parts of the world have had a stabilizing effect on our industry. It is the hope of this organization that a constant effort will be made to further seek and expand foreign markets for dairy foods.

2. When importation of dairy products is necessary, we approve the principle of Government permits and request the Government not to allow imported dairy products to be sold at a price that will undermine our price structure.

3. Since the people of Great Britain, our traditional customers for cheese, still require and want Canadian cheese, we request that the Department of Trade and Commerce take steps to promote a freer exchange of goods in overseas markets.

Protest Restrictions on Dairy Products

4. We appreciate the prospect of re-opening trade in livestock and meats with the United States, but at the same time protest restrictions that have been placed on the export of

Sets Forth Policy of Federation on Dairy Matters

Drawn up by a committee set up at the Annual Meeting of the Dairy Farmers of Canada, the above Policy Statement was adopted by the meeting, and subsequently by the open meeting of the Canadian Federation of Agriculture. President J. A. Wood of the C.A.D.P. took part in the drafting of the document. An article by Mr. Wood appears elsewhere.

dairy products to that country. We hope the strongest kind of representations will be made by the Government of Canada to the United States with a view to lifting trade restrictions imposed on Canadian dairy products. (Since this statement was prepared, the Canadian Government has made a strongly worded protest to the Government of the U.S. and urged the lifting of the restrictions. — Editor.)

5. Dairy Farmers of Canada requests that the Government of Canada amend the Bankruptcy Act in such a manner that it will accord producers the position of a preferred creditor for payments for the primary sale of agricultural products.

6. Dairy Farmers of Canada publicity program is vital to our current struggle for our share of the consumer's dollar, but more emphasis must be placed on our economic position so that its importance to the national economy will be clear to all Canadians. More stress should be placed on the part played by the dairy industry in the maintenance of soil fertility. There is too little public realization of the role that grassland farming within the dairy industry plays in reduction of soil erosion and the maintenance of soil fertility. More stress might be placed on the contribution of dairy farmers and their families to the whole Canadian economy.

Need for Fundamental Research

7. We are impressed by the necessity for fundamental research in all branches of the industry if efficiency in production and distribution of dairy foods is to be increased. The research project recently instituted at MacDonald College, P.Q., under Dr. Crampton, is but a step down the long road toward possible new discoveries in the field of milk nutrition. Dairy Farmers of Canada commend the other groups, National Dairy Council, Associated Milk Foundations and the Suppliers' Association, for co-operating with our organization in this work.

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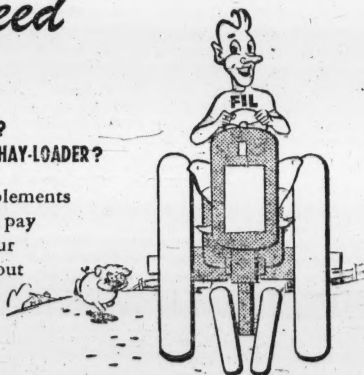
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Breeder's New President



J. W. Hosford, South Edmonton, (above) was elected President of the Holstein-Friesian Association of Canada at the Annual Meeting of the Association held in Toronto. Mr. Hosford is a veteran Alberta Holstein breeder and is also a Master Breeder, the highest award a Holstein breeder can win.

POLICY STATEMENT
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We believe both the Federal and Provincial Governments should be approached more forcefully with requests for fundamental research into milk and milk products, particularly in the field of solids-not-fat. As this type of research goes forward, techniques for increasing efficiency at the farm will not want to be overlooked.

Better Utilization of Dairy Foods

8. Better utilization of dairy foods is a matter which might be looked at with benefit by our organization. Except in restricted areas, the commercial possibilities of cottage cheese as an outlet for solids-not-fat have never been properly exploited. In areas where it seems desirable, our Provincial organizations might give leadership in a move to insure that an acceptable product reached the consumer.

9. Dairy Farmers of Canada recommends that Provincial dairy organizations contact labor and industrial groups seeking their understanding and support in the protection of the dairy industry.

10. We recommend that Dairy Farmers of Canada make a study of formula milk pricing during the coming year and present its findings at the next annual meeting.

PRESIDENT GIVES IMPRESSIONS
(Continued from Page 3)

Calamity for Fruit Growers

On our trip out, we saw bulldozers gouging out fruit trees — in some orchards it looked like some 40 to 50 per cent of all the trees were coming out. This was a surprising and melancholy sight, for many years of hard work and a great deal of money goes into the building up of a good orchard. The reason, we learned on inquiry, was that the cold winter of 1950 killed out many trees. Some died in 1951 and were removed, and replacements were made; and in 1952, after bearing blossoms, many more died. The dead trees were being removed by the bulldozers in prepara-

Raising Thrifty Calves

OTTAWA, Ont. — While feeding antibiotics to dairy calves is useful in correcting digestive disturbances, simple management procedures can contribute much more than these supplements to the raising of thrifty dairy calves. This was shown in experiments conducted at the Central Experimental Farm, Ottawa, states V. J. Milnes, of the Animal Husbandry Division, who recommends disinfecting of calf pens at regular intervals, supplying adequate bedding, having pens well ventilated and lighted, and providing fresh water in clean containers. Feeding of sour or cold milk to young calves should be avoided.

tion for the planting of new fruit trees.

We in Alberta think it is tough when we get a crop hailed out; but the families who lost these trees will have to spend approximately \$100 per acre on replanting, and then wait ten years for a profitable crop!

On January 18th we reached Vancouver, where it was raining — it rained about every day in the month.

Guests of Fraser Valley Producers

Next day, the Fraser Valley Milk Producers Association were the attentive hosts to 60 or more delegates and a goodly number of delegates' wives. By bus and car we drove to two of the plants of this famous co-operative enterprise. Then, on to Chilliwack for a banquet, and back to Vancouver. The experience in meeting our fellow co-operators in dairying in B.C. was a most enjoyable and valuable one for all of us.

One dairy farmer we visited, three miles from Chilliwack, has 135 cows milking on his 240-acre farm. He pastures these cows, and on his hay land in 1952, he cut six crops of hay, averaging close to six tons of green hay per cutting. He dehydrates the hay, making close to six tons of dehydrated hay per acre of his hay land — different from this part of Alberta, where we cut a little over one ton of prairie wool per acre every two years!

During the next two days, at the Convention in Vancouver, we heard addresses by a number of prominent speakers, including that of the President, which was reported on our last issue, as were other matters in connection with this gathering.

At the Annual Banquet, the hosts were again the Fraser Valley Milk Producers' Association. There was an attendance of more than 300, and we heard an interesting address by the President of the Board of Trade, who was the guest speaker.

We Meet an Old Friend

I had the pleasure of meeting on this occasion Mr. A. Larsen, a former manager of our organization who asked to be remembered to his many Alberta friends. A new milk product was served at the banquet — "Moose Milk", so named because there is a kick in it.

I had the honor of being one of the Westerners to serve on the Policy Committee set up during the Annual Meeting. We worked far through the night into the morning to help formulate the wishes of the different commodity groups into the "Policy Statement for 1953," which we are printing in this issue.

I hope to follow up these impressions with a few remarks in the next issue of *The Western Farm Leader* on the Annual Meeting of the Canadian Federation of Agriculture.

Yours sincerely,

Gas. A. Wood.

PRESIDENT

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With \$545 million of new business secured during 1952, the Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada continues to hold the record for another year, topping all Canadian life companies over the same period. Total Sun Life insurance now in force amounts to more than \$5 billions, marking yet another milestone in the progress of Canada's leading life company. George W. Bourke, President, in presenting Sun Life's 82nd Annual Report, announced that policyholders' dividends during 1953 will amount to \$22 millions, up two millions from last year.

Stating that the objective of the business of life insurance was to make available its services to as many people as possible, Mr. Bourke emphasized that the Sun Life is playing a leading role in this purpose. Last year, new Sun Life business amounted to \$545,581,000 as compared with the 1951 figure of \$461,776,000, an increase of 18%. The Sun Life of Canada operates in nearly 30 countries throughout the world, but the major part of this new life insurance was secured in Canada, United States and Great Britain. Group insurance included in the new business total amounted to \$165,487,000, an increase of \$71 millions over 1951. The importance of Group life insurance, said Mr. Bourke, is being increasingly recognized as a valuable social factor by responsible industrial and business leaders who are finding that well-rounded insurance and retirement programmes help both to secure and to retain valuable employees and promote sound staff relations in both large and small organizations.

At the end of 1952, total Sun Life insurance in force stood at \$5,222,947,000, an increase of \$421,431,000 — nearly 9% over the amount at the end of the previous year. Group insurance in force, included in this amount, has now reached \$1,493,501,000, an increase of 19%. Annuity payments which the Company has undertaken to provide immediately or in the future, through individual contracts or group pension plans, amount to \$117,833,000 per annum. The number of policies and group certificates now in force is 1,912,000.

BENEFIT PAYMENTS

Mr. Bourke referred to life insurance as the most popular and effective method of permanent saving, because it provides an immediate estate in the event of death, and also assures financial security when working years are over. The payments made to Sun Life policyholders and beneficiaries during 1952 amounted to \$118,618,000, or \$467,000 for each working day of the year. Of this amount,

\$81,632,000 was paid to living policyholders and \$36,986,000 to the beneficiaries of deceased policyholders. The total amount of benefits paid by the Sun Life since the first policy was issued in 1871 has now reached \$2,604,604,000.

ASSETS AND INVESTMENTS

Total assets of the Company at the end of the year under review were \$1,742,876,000, an increase of \$76,850,000 over 1951. These new funds were invested in many public and private enterprises, but principally in industrial and public utility bonds, and in mortgages. The increase in bond investment and mortgages amounted to \$43,252,000 and \$23,666,000 respectively. It is interesting to note that Sun Life investments include 40,000 home mortgages for a total sum of \$166,000,000, an average of \$4,150 per home. Thus, the Company is playing a prominent part in helping to provide homes for persons of modest means. The interest rate earned during the year was 3.84% as compared to 3.70% in the previous year. This increase, commented Mr. Bourke, was important since any permanent improvement in the interest rate makes additional earnings available for dividend distribution, thereby reducing the cost of life insurance to the policyholder.

The total surplus and contingency reserve now amounts to \$113,697,000.

LIFE INSURANCE A NATIONAL ASSET

Mr. Bourke mentioned that in all countries where the Sun Life operates, and more particularly in Canada, United States and Great Britain, men and women were providing increasingly for their own and family security. This meant protection and peace of mind for more and more people. It also meant more money saved and invested in national projects; more jobs and goods for more people. In Canada alone more than five million policyholders are saving through life insurance, for whom the nation's life insurance fund of more than \$5 billions represents a provision for death, retirement and other benefits. The fund is also the country's largest single reservoir of long-term investment resources for use in developing the nation's waterways, highways, railroads, public utilities, home building, hospitals, schools, and other branches of Canadian social and business life.

A copy of the Sun Life's complete 1952 Annual Report to Policyholders, including the President's review of the year, is being sent to each policyholder, or may be obtained from the Head Office in Montreal or from any of the branch, group or mortgage offices of the Company throughout North America.

Stockyards' 1952 Handlings

During 1952, Calgary stockyards handled 191,039 head of cattle, 16,866

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WORLD CHRONICLE

Feb. 5th. — U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Benson hints no price supports for "uneconomic production." Admiral Radford tells U.S. Congress committee blockade of coastwise shipping could be carried out against China. Dulles states at Bonn that he is encouraged by talks in European capitals; says France and Germany must be "tied together so inextricably" they can never fight each other. Three thousand rescued from flooded towns by seagoing craft of six nations. UN survey sees trend towards deflation in Asia.



FOSTER DULLES

Feb. 6th. — Bonn reports West German steel production increased; is now greater than that of France, nearly as great as British. Eden and Butler will visit Washington in March, announced in London.

Feb. 7th. — Washington reports International Wheat Council at stalemate over demands by exporting countries for increased prices. Manchester Guardian criticises Dulles' statements as confusing. New Delhi reports famine threatens four millions in India; attempts made to secure millet from U.S. and China.

Feb. 8th. — War could be avoided if each country would stay out of internal affairs of other countries, Stalin tells Argentine ambassador; latter reports interview in Moscow. Dulles, leaving Europe for Washington, says Western European states must unite or be engulfed in war. West German Social Democrat leader

Wins Farm Forum Prize For All Canada



Mrs. Leland Pound, centre, of Ancaster, Ont., was author of "The Story of Trinity Forum" which won the grand prize for all Canada in the National Farm Radio Forum Essay Contest. James C. Wilkinson, left, is Secretary of Trinity Forum, and Harry Lindsay, right, is President.

opposes western European army because West Germans aren't given equal rights.

Feb. 9th. — Soviet legation in Tel Aviv damaged by explosion, three reported injured. Taft suggests blockade as one of several moves against China. Saskatchewan lowers prices for "package" insurance on cars and farm trucks.

Feb. 10th. — Foreign spokesman in London states Britain will firmly resist blockade of China. Schuman Plan comes into effect; member states remove customs duties, other restrictions on trade in coal, scrap and iron ore. London announces Commonwealth plan for integration scientific research now drawn up, as agreed on at Canberra conference a year ago. Tito orders Bulgarian diplomats to leave Yugoslavia. Washington report gives General Bradley as authority for statement U.S. arms shipments to Formosa being increased. Fresh gales whip England's east coast. West Germany bans neo-Nazi organization "Free Corps".

Feb. 11th. — Western powers shouldn't be tempted to hit aggressors in new places, declares Pearson; says Canada will do all possible to limit armed conflict in Korea. In Seoul, Van Fleet, on eve of retiring, says UN general offensive now would be successful. Anglo-American-Iranian oil talks again stalled. Moscow breaks off relations with Israel. Eisenhower refuses clemency for Rosenbergs. Malan demands "emergency powers" from South African Parliament. Canada has urged U.S. remove dairy import restrictions, announced in Ottawa.

Feb. 12th. — Sudan agreement signed by British and Egypt; supervised elections planned; Sudanese will have option of joining Egypt, joining British Commonwealth, or setting up independent state. Washington reports General Bradley, head of U.S. joint chiefs of staff, would retire in event of decision to blockade China.

Feb. 13th. — Rebuilding of dikes and sea walls in England and Holland continues, as tides again approach peaks. Vatican City reports Pope Pius appealed for mercy for Rosenbergs in December. Another blockade of Berlin threatened by East Berlin if West Germany ratifies European defence treaty. U.K. Parliament rejects a bill to restore flogging in England and Wales; (it has been illegal in Scotland for 90 years.) U.S. removes price ceilings on poultry, eggs, gasoline, many other commodities.

Feb. 14th. — Washington reports two groups less far apart in wheat conference. New South Wales re-elects Labor government.

Feb. 15th. — Pearson confers with Dulles in Washington.

Feb. 16th. — Strike of grain handlers ties up principal elevators at Vancouver, New Westminster. Tokyo reports U.S. aircraft engaged in ten-

Delegates of Union Submit Resolutions to Alberta Cabinet

Discussions Amicable, States President, but Most Ministers Tough re Some Proposals

"Discussions were amicable and on a high plane," but "most of the Cabinet members present maintained their tough and uncompromising attitude toward some of the main proposals of the F.U.A.," states President Henry G. Young, reporting on a meeting with a committee of the Alberta Cabinet on February 6th, when resolutions adopted by the Annual Convention together with those passed at a recent meeting of the Board of the Union, were presented. "Evidently the F.U.A. must develop further strength in order to get satisfactory action," Mr Young added.

In all some 76 resolutions were presented to the Cabinet committee, headed by Hon. David Ure, Minister of Agriculture. The delegation from the F.U.A. consisted of Mrs. Taylor, President of the F.W.U.A., Mr. Young, Carl Stimpfle, Vice-President, Mrs. J. Harold, F.W.U.A. Vice-President and Rudolph Henning.

minute battle with two Russian-type planes over northern Japan. Reported Britain opposes repudiation of some treaties suggested by Eisenhower, on grounds this could be two-edged weapon — could be used by Russia against Western powers' rights in Berlin.

Feb. 17th. — Indian ambassador to Moscow confers with Stalin; believed has reference to armistice in Korea. Dulles states he did not deliver ultimatum to NATO government during visit to Europe; Eisenhower declares he is not now considering blockade of China coast, but Government departments may be studying subject; Pearson states Canada opposed to such blockade. Embargo placed on wheat shipments to strikebound elevators. Howe tells Parliament strike not expected to cause heavy loss in grain exports. U.S. appeal court grants Rosenbergs stay of execution to March 30, to permit petition to Supreme Court to review their case. Nehru says serious situation in Far East mainly due to non-recognition of Communist China's reality, and acceptance of Formosa as representing China.

Feb. 18th. — Churchill calls on British farmers for greater production; says only 30 million of 50 million population fed by home production.

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By CORA J. KERNS

WE rolled across the international boundary line—perfect roads and perfect weather. The country looked much the same north as south of Carway, but we soon noticed the lack of advertising signs along the highway. Consequently, road signs were much more easily read and seen, as we weren't confused by too many signs.

Back to Earlier Days

My mind went back to the days when the Farm Women protested to the U.F.A. Government about this very issue of too many ugly, unnecessary highway advertisements. The Government was glad to co-operate with us and am glad to find the program still being carried out. When travelling, one is more interested in road signs and directions than anything else, so it was a relief to leave the many ad signs of Montana behind and ease through Alberta with less driving strain. Score 1 for Albertans.

Something to Tell Our Friends About

Next we met with the wonderful sight of "Alberta Wheat Pool" on a grain elevator and the name of the town. As we continued on north, this was the only means we had of knowing the names of some of the places we passed through, so congratulations to the Greatest Co-op in Alberta. Friends of ours who have taken a jaunt up your way ask us: "What does Wheat Pool mean?" It's a joy to tell them about it. Score No. 2.

Next we noticed the roads weren't so good as those of Montana, rough spots slowed us down. We were informed that roads are being built by oil revenues up there, and this carried me back to the time when John Brownlee made such a courageous fight to get the mineral rights restored to the Province. He won, not only for Alberta, but the other Western Provinces followed suit. And now we were rolling along over new roads, already worn in spots by heavy tourist traffic and possibly heavy oil equipment, eh? So this score is a tie.

Score Against Old Town

We made Calgary as darkness settled down, and hubby got lost through the maze of additions along the Macleod Trail. Five years since he had been back, so the town has really grown. He also nearly had heart failure getting across town to our hotel. Used to driving in congested traffic in the U.S. with traffic lights, he thought Seventh and Eighth avenues should be one-way streets and you could do with some traffic lights all over the place. Score one against the old town.

Two crops in one year! Despite the ravages of mice, hail, etc., you seem to be feeling optimistic, until hubby had to tell farmers how much more he gets for wheat down here. Then the air turned blue in spots. Score two versus Canada.

Two well-known former Albertans, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kerns, after spending a great part of their lives in building up a farm and raising a family at Acme, and in serving the farm movement of the Province in various fields, moved a few years ago to Walla Walla, Washington, where they now reside, still farming. Recently they returned to Alberta to visit members of their family who have remained here, and see their many friends. On this page, Mrs. Kerns gives vivid impressions of their visit, with entertaining, shrewd and candid comment. — EDITOR.

Better Not Keep Track

Spring in October! Pussywillows out full blast around Ponoka. Summer in winter and winter in summer—that's Alberta for you. Remember the winter when the chinook blew right through until spring and dust was everywhere? You do not have climate up there, just weather! You can have it. This side of the Rockies suits us. Better not keep track of the innings now, eh?

Then the water. Hubby got upset drinking too much. He should have known better, but how easy it is to forget.

Pensions Without Snoopers

Your system of old age pensions is the real kind — \$40 per month at 70 to every citizen. Down here it's \$70 to \$75 at 65, plus medical services to those who need it; but it takes a whole army to pry around to find out who needs it, without in any way stopping the chisellers. Dr. Townsend may get your system going here yet. He's been trying for years, but set his sights a wee bit high — around \$300 per month.

And your phone service is super. Used the phone a lot and never got a wrong number. That is far above the Bell here. In two more years we hope to get automatic dials in and then dispense with a lot of central girls and wrong rings, etc. Right now we are too short of steel.

But our elections are something! We've just proved we CAN change, although Eisenhower will have fun with Congress, especially the Senate end. They aren't old age pensioners down here, you know, but elected by the people. Some real young squirts in their forties.

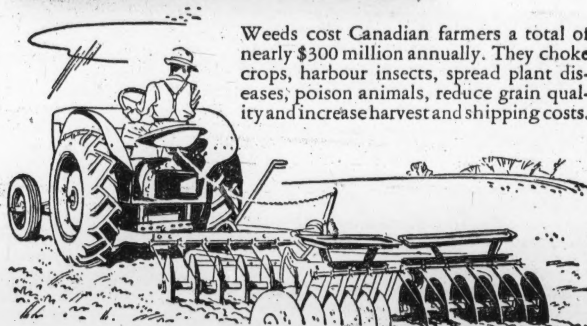
Well, it was a treat to get back to Alberta and find so many in good spirits. Old friends are best friends, etc., when one gets on the wrong side of fifty. Hope to see some of them down this way on vacation, as our visit was all too short among the old-timers who really built up our great Province.

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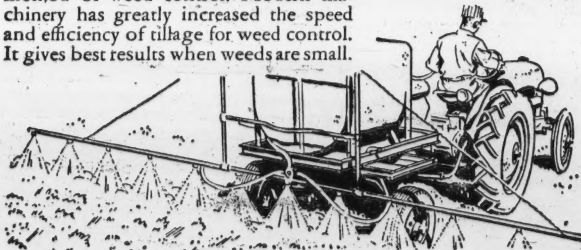


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New Income Tax Guide

Designed to assist farmers and fishermen in preparation of their 1952 Income Tax returns, the new edition of the Farmer's and Fisherman's Income Tax Guide is now available to the public. It has been announced by Dr. J. J. McCann, Minister of National Revenue. It answers many questions such as what farmers may rightfully claim as expenses; items which the farmer is not required to include; what may be claimed as deductions;

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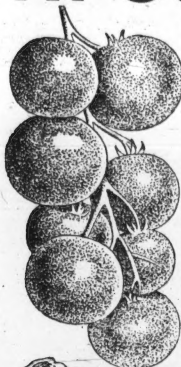


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FARM WOMEN'S INTERESTS

Including News of The Farm Women's Union of Alberta

HAVE WE RISEN TO OUR OPPORTUNITIES?

Dear Farm Women:

I wonder how many of you read Harris Turner's "South-East Corner," in a recent number of *The Western Farm Producer*, with his article on "Women's Place"? And I wonder if you as women did not have a bit of a guilty conscience, although we could not leave the men-folk absolutely innocent.

I might say the article was to the effect that for some thirty-five years, women in Canada have had voting privileges on an equality with the men. Before that came into effect there was much talk about the great things that were going to be done — politics were to be purer, laws more equitable, and there was to be a decidedly upward trend in national and international affairs. However, the writer thought that for all the direct good we had seen done from their efforts, women might as well have remained glued to the washtub and the cradle, as he said.

Looking at the Situation

I question if there is a thinking woman in Canada of my generation who is not somewhat disappointed at the apparently direct accomplishments of women in the political field. But to look at the situation for a minute.

First and foremost I suppose is one almost universal answer. In almost every cause where people are keenly

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interested, they usually build higher than they can accomplish. But that is not all; the difference is too marked in this case, I think.

Then families, for those who have them, are often in a state of dependency at a time when mothers would be beginning to take public positions which would eventually lead to those of greater prominence in the world of politics.

Perhaps another reason is that the men themselves to a great extent have a somewhat patronizing feeling, somewhat superior feeling of their all-round ability to do the really important jobs in public life, so perhaps it is as well to "play possum" and not take too prominent a position.

Of course we must remind ourselves that it is difficult to measure just what women's increased interest and influence has done. We might point to the work of a woman member who has it to her credit, I think, that women can now sit in the gallery of the House of Commons minus their hats! But that is rather obvious.

Must We Plead Mental Laziness?

I think I have rounded up all the excuses I can, and now must face the fact again. Is it not true that a very great many of us must plead mental laziness, and physical too when it comes to some public work? We have been keenly interested in the farm work, even if our word was not law. And of course there is a great increase in the numbers of women in positions which but a few years ago would have been thought of as work for men, as well as increased mechanical help to lighten the hours of work when women were indeed tied to their kitchens. But how have we used the leisure?

Is it not true that we would not consider Jim's or Dick's or what-you-will's opinion infallible in anything else, but let it come to something which demands thought and study and effort on the social questions of the day, and we make his word law? It will certainly reflect ill on women, if they do not take their voting privilege more seriously and make it well worth the time and energy their predecessors spent in order that we might have the right.

Yours sincerely,

H. ZELLA SPENCER.

News of Women's Locals

A telephone whist drive was recently arranged by Stony Plain F.W.U.A., at a meeting of which Mrs. T. Washburn was hostess.

Jefferson F.W.U.A. (Owendale) had members' husbands as guests when convention reports were presented, writes Mrs. Dawson.

Delia F.W.U.A. recently chose Mrs. C. Greer as their representative on the Library Board, reports Mrs. Felix Battle.

Chief project of Fairdonian Valley F.W.U.A. last year, reports Mrs. Galletly, was the Rest Room; \$121 was spent on furnishings.

Members of Ghost Pine Creek F.W.U.A. are really enjoying the home decorating course sponsored by the Local, reports Mrs. Sommerville.

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most members of Pollockville F.W.U.A. chose school days as their favorite age, though, writes Mrs. M. H. Keyte, "they all were glad that we progress in age as we do."

Exchange of flower seeds featured a recent meeting of Wild Rose F.W.U.A. (Carolside). Mrs. Stringer writes that remnants received from the T. Eaton Company were passed out to members to be made into articles for the bazaar.

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AN OLD CABIN

By KERRY WOOD



WHILE on a walk along the river the other day I chanced upon an unexplored corner of a heavily treed flat, and there, secluded among hundred-year-old spruces, I found the rotting ruins of a cabin.

It was charmingly situated, so cosily sheltered among the trees, with the river murmur just audible from its course a hundred yards away. Dog Dugal and I elected to eat our lunch there and selected a mossgrown log for a seat and settled down.

We saw a partridge, rigid, at the far end of the log; and Dugal stalked it with puppy eagerness until the bird broke from its statuesque pose and thundered off to another haven. This aroused the squirrel fraternity, and three of the scolding reds put in an appearance and roundly abused us.

We paid them scant attention, lunching while we contemplated the cabin ruins, and presently the squirrels forgot us and went off on their own affairs. In the hush that followed, the thud-thud of hooves, half muffled in deep moss, came faintly to our ears, and a few minutes later a young buck deer came into view. Dugal sat quiet, wagging his tail as he eyed the newcomer, and the dainty creature was entirely unaware of us as it browsed slowly past.

All this will give you an idea as to the peaceful charm of that cabin site, and speculation awakened regarding the person who had built it and lived there.

He was not a clever axman; that was easily judged from the untidy and loose dove-tailing of the logs. A good woodsman would hardly have chosen such a spot for a home, in any case: a home needs a garden, and a woodsman would have known that spruce soil is poor stuff for gardening, so he would have located elsewhere. And a woodsman would hesitate about building a cabin in the midst of such heavy timber, knowing that any one of these large trees, crashing to earth because of age, wind, or lightning, could easily crush through a cabin roof, to endanger the occupants.

So, then, our builder was not a woodsman. No clearing had been chopped around his home, no spade had marred the natural green and brown carpet of the forest floor. He had been content with a poorly built, drafty log cabin, while a slab-built table and benches had been good enough for furniture, with empty boxes tacked on the wall for cupboards and a framework of poles served as a bedstead in the corner—probably filled with straw or spruce-boughs as mattress when in use. A rough-living man, our builder, but for all that a man of fine quality too, else why the lovely setting? And

was it chance or design that made him locate near the best backwater on our river? He had been a fisherman, surely, and every fisherman is a philosopher.

At this point, Dog Dugal came wagging close with something in his jaws. He laid the prize at my feet, and it proved to be a well-worn carborundum stone.

"Aha!" said I. "We can assume that our builder kept his tools sharp, even if he didn't know how to use them. That counts in his favor."

Dugal uttered a brief bark by way of agreement and went off to scrounge again.

The cabin had been finished with lumber from some pioneer sawmill that gave full size value. The boards were an inch thick; the two-by-fours the whole honest size. This fact, together with the cabin's state of ruin, made it likely that our builder had put it up and lived there a matter of fifty or more years back, when this district was newly settled.

Why had he lived here, deep in the woodlands? What had been his work? He was no farmer, certainly, nor a stockman either, for there were no fields close by and spruce-grown riverland is no place to run cattle. Perhaps he had been a trapper; perhaps an outcast of some sort, content to have a modest shack remote from the young town five miles away.

Whoever he was, this man had not wholly trusted mankind, because there was a padlock hasp on the door and another on the broken remnants of the window frame. Of course, we use locks on our doors today and don't trust the world, either, but you'd have thought that this pioneer would have had a faith in his fellows because of his rustic seclusion. Of course, he may have had something valuable to guard.

At this moment Dugal interrupted again with a new find. It was a sealed tin can, and an impulse made me pry off the lid and thus bring to light the small wad of yellowed paper. I separated the flimsy sheets carefully, spreading them out flat. Sure enough, there was writing on them!

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So! Life was real, life was earnest, even in those days!

But I read more than the household accounts on those yellowed pages. The pencil writing was in a fragile, delicate script. A lady's handwriting, one sensed at once. Furthermore, a young lady.

Once upon a time I owned a book dealing with the science of reading character from handwriting. Recalling the rules to mind, I pondered the faded pages and analyzed the character of the absent builder's lady. She was young, as said. She was impulsive, if the slopes of script mean anything. She was generous, as witness the round and firmly closed o's and a's. She was artistic, with flourishes. She bubbled over with vivacious and light-hearted vitality, *selah!*

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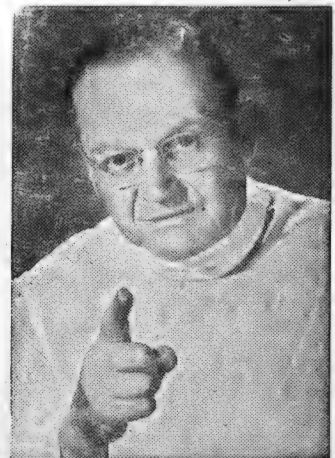
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writing story. Dugal and I found her a most interesting young lady, badly spoiled but quite good company. We endowed her with certain talents and conceded her a whimsical humor. An elf-like creature, if the science doesn't do us dirt. No wonder the man put padlocks on his door and window.

It was a pleasant discovery and we liked it. On the way back to the road we met the farmer who now owns the land whereon the ruined cabin is located. We could have asked him about the place, but we preferred not to know. For the man would probably have told us the uninteresting truth and spoiled the whole story.

The average household in the nine older Provinces of Canada consisted of 4.07 persons when the 1951 census was taken. This compares with 5.33 persons in 1881.

Extension of services beyond the co-operative clinics and hospitals now included in its program is planned by directors of the Co-operative Medical Services Federation of Ontario.

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Income Tax Exemptions Are Asked in Respect to University Students

In a resolution adopted by the Annual Meeting of the Canadian Federation of Agriculture, in open session, it was requested that "exemption for dependents be granted for income tax purposes in connection with daughters and sons over 21 years of age, if they are attending recognized schools or universities.

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New Export Trade Record

Ottawa, Ont. — Canada's export trade in 1952 was a new record, about 10 per cent above the previous peak of \$3.9 billions in 1951.

The Wheat Situation

By E. PATCHING, Publicity Dept.,
Alberta Wheat Pool

With harvesting nearly cleaned up in Argentina and Australia, world stocks of wheat have taken a sizeable jump. The Dominion Bureau of Statistics reports that on January first the four major exporting countries were carrying 1,522 million bushels over and above their domestic needs. This is an increase of 48 per cent, or about 500 million bushels, over stocks on hand a year ago. The figure is calculated after allowing for domestic needs and so constitutes grain that is available for export or carryover at the end of their crop years.

The supply position by countries was as follows:

	Jan. 1 1953	Jan. 1 1952
Canada	573,700,000	433,400,000
United States	723,600,000	500,300,000
Argentina	121,000,000	2,300,000
Australia	105,000,000	91,900,000

The increase in supplies comes as a result of a number of factors: a record crop in Canada, the second largest crop on record in the United States, a considerably larger crop in Australia than was harvested a year ago, and the largest crop in 13 years in Argentina following a failure last year.

Export Demand Remains Keen

Fortunately the export demand has remained keen, and although exports from the U.S. are down from last year, Canada's exports are up and the main limiting factor is handling facilities. No difficulty is being experienced in selling all the wheat that it is possible to move into export position. Exports from Canada this year may reach, or even surpass, the record of 407 million bushels in 1928-29. At present a strike of terminal workers has tied up facilities on the Pacific coast and if it continues for long importers may be forced to turn to other nations for supplies.

So far little information has come

Livestock Markets Review

CALGARY STOCKYARDS, Feb. 18th. — Hogs sold yesterday \$25.50, sows \$13, good lambs \$22.50. Good butcher steers were \$19.50 to \$20.50, down to \$14 for common; good to choice butcher heifers \$17.50 to \$18.50, down to \$14; good light cows \$13.50 to \$14.50; good stocker and feeder steers \$17 to \$18.50, down to 14 for common.

EDMONTON STOCKYARDS, Feb. 16th. Last week's trading on this market was quite dull under moderately heavy receipts and a narrow demand. Bulk of choice steers priced from \$21 to \$21.75, medium to good from \$18.50 to \$20.50, down to \$12 for common; good cows sold \$11.50 to \$12.50, good bulls 12.50 to \$13.50. Hogs were higher under lighter receipts, Grade A closed at \$24.

The Dairy Market

The dairy market remains unchanged, with special cream, locally, to producers, 64; No. 1 is 62, No. 2 is 53 and off-grade 47. Prints, wholesale, are 64.

Egg and Poultry Market

Local prices to producers are for A large 34, medium 31 and small 27; B's are 26 and C's 21. Dressed chicken, under 4 lbs. are 31 down to 15; 4 to 5 lbs., 41 down to 21; over 5 lbs., 43 down to 23. Dressed fowl, under 4 lbs., 24 down to 11; 4 to 5 lbs., 29 down to 15; over 5 lbs., 31 down to 17.

from the wheat conference in Washington and discussions on the renewal of the agreement are continuing with little indication of a major break on the part of either exporters or importers. It is encouraging however, to see that all nations favor renewal of the pact. Negotiations, as expected, are hard and long.

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Editor,

The Western Farm Leader:

Completion of the first leg of the Trans-Mountain Oil Line Company and the announcement that work will begin at once on the second leg so that crude oil will shortly reach Ferndale on Puget Sound prompts the following remarks:

In the years to come we shall receive a lot of attention from our Southern neighbors, for Canada is a vast storehouse of natural resources practically untapped.

Perhaps the most difficult problem for many years to come will be to make sure that these resources are used for the maximum benefit of Canadians and not exploited for American multi-millionaires.

Short of Raw Materials

America is running short of raw materials and is looking for alternative sources of supply, this coupled with our desire to promote pay-rolls and the huge amount of capital available in the U.S. for investment are some of the reasons why so many American dollars are being poured into our Northland today; but we should not allow short term temptations or our friendship for the U.S. to lure into giving away these resources thoughtlessly.

Does not America herself provide us with a frightening example of resources thoughtlessly squandered?

We have only a population of 14 million, but who can say what it will be by the end of the century? Hence, who can tell us what our own requirements will be in the years to come? I am thinking of all our resources — timber, water power, iron ore, oil, gas, and metals, for it is quite possible that Canada may find herself running short of some of these resources in 25 or 30 years.

I believe Canadians are desirous of

**Meet Board of Grain
Commissioners and
Wheat Board, Feb. 23-4****Union's Delegation Plans An-
nounced — Interprovincial
Conference July 13-14**

Representing the three Prairie Farm Unions, a delegation will meet the Board of Grain Commissioners on Monday next, February 23rd, and the Canadian Wheat Board on February 24th, to discuss with the respective Boards matters of policy and administration concerning grain handling, grading, marketing and other matters. Henry G. Young, President of the Farmers' Union of Alberta, announced last week. The meeting will be held in Winnipeg.

Heading the delegation, states Mr. Young, will be J. L. Phelps, Chairman of the Interprovincial Council of the Farm Unions and President of the Saskatchewan Farmers' Union, and he will be supported by members of the Alberta and Manitoba Union Executives. In addition, the Saskatchewan Union is sending a number of Union officials as observers.

"The Annual Interprovincial Conference of the Farm Unions," Mr. Young announces, "will be held in Alberta this year following the Calgary Stampede." Arrangements are being made to hold this Conference in Calgary on July 13th and 14th. It is expected that speakers of national and international importance will be present, and a large turnout of farmers from the Prairie Provinces is anticipated."

sharing their resources generously with Americans, but our legislators should cling to a very simple formula when considering any contemplated development of any of our natural resources.

"For the maximum benefit of Canadians" would appear to be a right principle to adhere to.

Your truly,

GEO. K. MacSHANE

Other letters to the editor unavoidably held over for our next issue.

**Still Seeking Chemical
to Eradicate Wild Oats**

So far the wild oat, generally considered the worst weed in Western Canada, has remained unaffected by any chemical except the more costly soil sterilants, states H. J. Mather, in a recent release from Line Elevators Farm Service. There may be a change in this situation, suggests Mr. Mather; weed investigators are concentrating their efforts towards development of a chemical that will kill this costly weed. Meantime, cultural control is the only answer to the problem. Since wild oat seeds germinate most readily in temperatures lower than 50 degrees F., early spring tillage and delayed seeding of an early maturing crop will destroy many wild oats and allow of the growing of a relatively clean crop. The importance of sowing clean seed is also stressed by Mr. Mather, who says that large quantities of wild oat seeds are returned to the soil in "dirty" seed each year in Western Canada.

Hospitals in Edmonton, Calgary, Provost, Coaldale and Elk Point, Alberta, were recently awarded Federal grants totalling \$255,600 towards construction costs.

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A.F.A. NOTES

By JAMES R. McFALL, Secretary

INCOME TAX

It is coming to that period of the year when our thoughts must turn to the question of income tax reporting. We list a number of points that may be helpful:

1. **Deductions from Labor:** If you have been deducting tax from your hired workers, these deductions along with full salary should be reported by February 28th. Ask for Forms, T4, Summary, and T4 Supplementary.

2. **File Your Return by April 30th:** We advise regular filing even if not taxable.

Your income cannot be averaged unless all reports have been filed on time. (A recent Court decision ruled that averaging would not be accepted unless all reports were filed on time). There is one exception to this rule—statements for those years in which a farmer is not taxable can be filed later and still used for averaging.

Tax statement must be filed regularly to maintain your basic herd standing.

3. **Averaging Your Income for Income Tax Purposes:** Averaging can be done at the end of any five-year period, which has not been averaged previously.

Averaging is left entirely to the discretion of the taxpayer. Forms are available (T2011). We suggest you secure one and from your past statement calculate the value or otherwise of electing to average. The form electing to average must be filed not later than April 30th.

4. **Basic Herds:** Can be established at any time and become effective thirty days following the acceptance of application. Particularly those on a cash basis should not overlook the importance of establishing a basic herd.

5. **Salary to Dependents:** Dependents able to do farm work can be paid for work done up to \$600.00 per year without affecting their rating as dependents.

6. **Net Worth Statements, or Statement of Assets and Liabilities:** From time to time the Department has asked various farmers to appear before one of their inspectors at different points throughout the Province. The farmer is asked to bring all of his books and records with him to verify his previous statements. On these occasions, a rough net worth statement, or statement of assets and liabilities, is calculated to ascertain if records correspond with statement filed.

Wherever there appears to be a discrepancy as between income and expenditures on statements filed, the Department may ask for a net worth statement covering a period of years.

These practices make it imperative that farmers save all business records. Increase in net worth may have been accompanied by increased debt, or occasioned by insurance payments received, legacy or sale of capital in-

FROM ONE OLD-TIMER TO ANOTHER



P. D. McArthur, Montreal, on behalf of the Dairy Farmers of Canada, is seen presenting a cane to R. H. M. Bailey of Clover Bar, Alta., at the Annual Banquet of the Dairy Farmers of Canada in Vancouver. Mr. Bailey and Mr. McArthur both are former Presidents of the organization and were both active in the original organizing effort. Mr. Bailey has retired from his position as Director, and from active participation in the work because of ill-health.

vestments. These factors are all taken into consideration in net worth statements. Just because a taxpayer has filed his statement regularly and paid tax based on the best figures that he may have, does not say that his accounts are closed. The net worth statement is used to check his statements. Save all business records and copies of statements filed.

While the practice of making routine checks of assets and liabilities is disconcerting and on occasions is an inconvenience, it does give us a form of check-off and some assurance that such years will not be re-opened.

A call to appear before an income tax inspector does not in anyway indicate that your statements filed are incorrect.

MORE ON TARIFFS

Considerable progress has been made in getting tariffs removed or reduced on many items of farm equipment. The C.F.A. is continuing its work in this regard.

A Canadian Federation of Agriculture delegation recently met with Finance Minister Abbott urging further removal of these import tariffs, and urged in particular that there be no increase in duty on ethylene glycol, which would be reflected in a price increase for antifreeze.

The delegation also pointed out that Federal Custom Officials had failed to recognize as duty free many items, even though it was the intention of Parliament that they be placed on the duty free list.

FARM WOMEN'S ACTIVITIES

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Mrs. Cummins was hostess to the February meeting of Utopia F.W.U.A. (Twin Butte), attended by twenty members and two visitors, reports Mrs. Marr. It was decided to raise money for the F.U.A. Building Fund and to give whole-hearted support to the

young people who are organizing a Junior Branch.

After singing "Flow Gently Sweet Afton," in memory of Robert Burns, Fort Saskatchewan F.W.U.A. heard a letter of thanks from Corporal Dick Bacon, in Korea, for a Christmas parcel; and a convention report by Mrs. H. A. Stetson. Mrs. G. Underwood writes that the hostess, Mrs. Geo. McGhan, and her daughter, Mrs. A. Goyner, served a delectable lunch.

Perfect attendance prizes for 1952 were recently presented by Sunnibend F.W.U.A. (Pibroch) to three members, writes Mrs. Hill, secretary. Mrs. Eggerston, home economist, gave a very interesting demonstration of novelty lamps, braided rugs, and copper foil pictures. Reports showed that the New Year's Dance was a great success.

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Date Loaf: Scald ½ cup rolled oats with 2/3 cup hot milk, add 1 cup chopped dates and 2 tbs. butter. When cool, add 1 egg, ½ tsp. vanilla and ½ cup brown sugar, and beat well; then add the grated rind of 1 orange, ½ tsp. each cinnamon and salt, and (if liked) ½ cup chopped walnuts. Add 1 scant cup flour, sifted with 2 tps. baking powder; bake in moderate oven for about 55 minutes.

Baked Pork Chops: Rub 6 to 8 pork chops with 1 tbs. prepared mustard, salt, pepper and flour. Brown in small amount of fat; place in flat baking dish; cover with 2 large onions, sliced, 2 tsp. grated lemon rind, 1 cup water; bake in slow oven about 45 minutes. Potatoes, baked at the same time, are a good accompaniment.

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Hello, Folks!

Limping Lizzie says that out where she hangs out the New Year got off to a snow-flying start, so that everything should be all white, all white!

G. W. J., of Vancouver wants to know why those whiskey advertisements never feature a "Woman of Distinction." We ask Li'l Goldilocks, our office vamp, and she says undoubtedly it's because we "Gals of Distinction" drink only gin.

MAYBE WALLY'S RIGHT

Wally, our incurable bach., insists that it's better to have loved and lost because it's a heck of a lot cheaper than to have loved and won.

Hugh MacLennan, the novelist, in a magazine article says: "It is not our job (the writer's) to chase the devil back to hell, but to welcome him when he appears and to give our readers the impression of him." We see by the papers that his books sell well enough in England and the United States, which seems to indi-

cate an intense interest in the devil in both those places.

We understand, however, that many Canadian readers think he makes Satan too devilishly real. On the other hand, some Canadian grandmothers we know tell us that they read his novels chiefly for their insomnia.

Then there's the guy who was so full of business enterprise that he ordered a dozen rain barrels when he was told that "into every life a little rain must fall."

WORDS

There is no language of the tongue
That can impart
The longing of the lonely heart
To him that knows not loneliness.

Nor can the pangs of ageless pain
Mean ought to him
But trivia of some thwarted whim
That will disperse with gaiety.

But when the hand of one out-stretched
Can clasp the hand
Of him who gropes in that lost land
Then Brothers meet, and words
are needless things.

—Catherine C. Haggerman,
Texada Island, B.C.

TURNING THE TABLES

The Magazine of Natural History says that in order to preserve the last of the world's big turtles efforts are being made to turn the Galapagos Islands into a National Park. Thereafter those who molest the big creatures are likely to find themselves in the soup.

Nan of Nanton says that one of her geese laid two eggs, but neither of them was golden. Pooh, snorts the Bad Egg of Crow's Nest, that's nothing. My bulldog had two pups but neither of them was a bulldog.

BRIGHT THOUGHT FOR 1953

TIME will have her revenge on those who "Kill" her.

And Mary of Carbon insists that taking the bitter with the sweet is not difficult when it comes to chocolates.

NO ROASTS

British writer castigates those wives who continually serve their husbands with fried meals. We'll bet that makes the gals boiling mad.

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In New York City, Mrs. R. Palmer, speaking to an audience of women on St. Valentine's Day, said the original meaning of the day was being rapidly and sadly lost. She deplored the tendency to make it the occasion for comic verse. "Why," she said "last St. Valentine's Day even my own husband sent me a familiar Valentine with a slight revision." It ran: "Roses are red; violets are blue;

Money is sweet and so is — mince-meat."

When she got that card we'll bet she felt like turning that guy into hamburger.

DREAM SHIP

How wide, how limitless the sea must be
Whereon the dream ships of the world set sail;
Freighted with hopes, with magic, mystery,
With love; they steam away beyond the pale
Of watchfulness. They fade from out our sight —
The steely galleon of the sturdy boat.
We who wait have just our aspirations,
Our hopes, our prayers to keep them still aloft.

Oh, mine is such a humble little ship,
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And all the cargo is my love for you —
My heart longs so to sight its welcome sail.

—Gertrude A. Brown, Vancouver.

NO WONDER HE WON

All SEVEN voters of Millsfield N.H. (pop. 16) stayed up late on election eve and marked their ballots just as the clock struck midnight. Everybody had gathered in the parlor of Mrs. Genevieve N. Annis and the votes were cast in the light of kerosene lamps amid a fine conspiratorial atmosphere. Mrs. Annis, the town clerk, collected and counted them quickly, recorded one absentee ballot, and at 12:02 o'clock proudly recorded the nation's first election returns. EIGHT votes for Eisenhower.

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